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## A LIVING WAGE AND FRUIT CAKE

An editorial in a recent issue of the Oregon Journal gave the idea that maintenance of way employees of the railway systems of the country were living at a pace that would stagger a much higher paid wage earner.

Coming at this time, the editorial probably was meant to infer that the strike of maintenance of way employees was not justified because they have been hitting too high a pace in their expenses.

A portion of the editorial read as follows:

"What constitutes a living wage depends as much upon the standard of the mind toward the things one consumes as upon the need of the body for those same things. In arriving at the approximate living wage, testimony was given by the maintenance of way department of the Illinois Central railroad before the United States Railroad Labor board. There was offered in evidence the experience of a foreman of a bridge building crew. This man had a wife and two children.

"His wages last month he said amounted to \$145.20 and his expenses to \$102. He showed bills covering some of the principal items of expense during the past year. Among his purchases were shoes at \$12, \$10.50 and \$10 a pair; stockings at \$1.30 and \$1.25 a pair; a corset at \$10, a hat at \$10.75, shirts at \$5.45, neckties at 90 cents and \$1.25, toilet water at \$1.95 a bottle, cold cream at \$1.50 a jar, rouge at 50 cents a box, a fruit cake at \$2 a pound.

"All these things probably look so familiar to our readers as to appear like necessities. But some of them

could be thrown out entirely and all of them could be cut in half and yet not bring one to the point of either distress or inconvenience."

No comment whatever was made to indicate that this might have been an isolated case if, indeed, the testimony was even trustworthy.

Maintenance of way employees in western Oregon, if we are reliably informed, are getting salaries ranging from \$2.80 to \$5 or \$6 the day. Some of those wage earners are in road gangs which move along the Southern Pacific system and, for that reason, have to make a deduction of something like a dollar a day for board for themselves. The wage earner getting \$2.80 the day would then have left something like \$1.80 the day with which to buy shoes at \$12, stockings at \$1.30, hats at \$10.75, shirts at \$5.45, toilet water at \$1.95, cold cream at \$1.50, rouge at 50 cents and fruit cake at \$2 the pound.

It is marvelous how some few wage earners working upon small salaries can provide luxuries that seem out of reach to many with larger incomes, but if there are any maintenance of way employees in this section of the state getting from \$2.80 to \$6 the day who are spending such sums for necessities and luxuries we have not heard of them. If there are any such, they are missing their calling as railway laborers. They should be frowned financiers on Wall street.

We admit that many wage earners squander their wages and that no matter what the wage they would have not a penny in the bank at the end of a lifetime, but it is also quite remarkable how many working upon small salaries have provided for their families, built homes and put money in the bank, and the Oregon Journal should not tar the vast army of railway laborers with the sins of the few. The maintenance of way employees are entitled to a decent wage and it is only fair to the railways that they should be permitted to get an income that would enable them to pay such a wage. After the employee has gotten such a wage, it is only fair to himself, to his family and to the public in general that he should disburse it economically and with judgment.

## OREGON'S THREE SENATORS

Oregon always is doing something that no other state has done.

The productivity of the soil in the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette is the wonder of the world, but few expected that soil to produce for Oregon a third senator when no other state in the union has more than two.

The third senator, if news reports are true, is E. J. Adams, of Eugene, the second best city in that famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette already referred to.

On the government pay roll "Senator" Adams appears only as secretary to Senator Stanfield, but when it comes to the conduct of the business of the government, Adams seems to be about as much a senator as anyone on the job, and we have no intent to hurt the feelings of Senator Stanfield when we make this remark.

When Stanfield picked Adams for his secretary, and suggested the senatorial salary to an extent to make it possible to keep Adams on the job, he did so knowing that Adams was not a man to sit still in a neutral position. He did so, unquestionably, for the purpose of taking advantage of Adams' peculiar abilities as a go-getter, equally for the success of the Stanfield administration and for the good of the state of Oregon. Stanfield must have known when he turned a man like Adams loose to perform many of the senatorial duties that Adams would be by many spoken of as the real senator.

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the feelings of Stanfield in speaking of Oregon's three senators.

It is fortunate for both Stanfield and Oregon that Stanfield was financially able to put Adams on the job and he shows that he has the interests of the state of Oregon at heart when he is willing to divide the senatorial honors with his secretary. Many would chafe at having another take some of the honors, but evidently it is not so with Stanfield, for he persistently keeps Adams on the job despite criticism of his own ability which such action has brought upon him and despite the division of honor.

Again we say that Stanfield is to be complimented for putting the interests of his state above any honor which might come to him through handling the senatorial job alone and unaided.

The fellow who gets up early enough to see the sun rise on a fall day, sees the glory of the Lord.

A small person sometimes starts something which the biggest are unable to stop.

There's a whole lot to what a girl means when she doesn't say anything.

You can build yourself a house, but not a home.

## First Million Dollar Picture

The first real million-dollar photo-drama has made its appearance. It is "Polish Wives," an extravagant picture of life and adventures at Monte Carlo, made by Erich von Stroheim for the Universal film company. In the lavishness of its sets, the absolute accuracy of its details and its unusual characterizations, it is reputed to outstrip anything hitherto attempted for the screen. It is to be presented at the Arcade theater Sunday and Monday, July 16 and 17.

Much has been heard of how von Stroheim caused the construction at the Universal studios in California, of huge structures exactly duplicating the principal buildings of the European pleasure resort. Those who have seen the picture say that the director has absolutely reproduced Monte Carlo, from the exotic architecture of the Casino down to the monograms on the linen of the Hotel de Paris.

Universal announces that more than \$100,000 was spent for sets alone and that varying numbers of "extra" actors, from several hundreds to several thousands, were used from time to time to get crowd scenes typical of the

surging pleasure-seekers who throng the plazas, the parks, the promenades and cafes of Monte Carlo.

The magnificent sets, the gay crowds and the colorful activities of Monte Carlo, have been used, it is understood, only as a setting for von Stroheim's strange and forceful story of a bogus Russian count and his pursuits of the frivolous wife of an American diplomat, envy. The director himself plays the role of the continental Lothario and is said to have created a character recognized as the most debonair, yet the most despicable ever seen on the screen. j14e

## STAGE DRIVER MAKES PUBLIC HIS EXPERIENCE

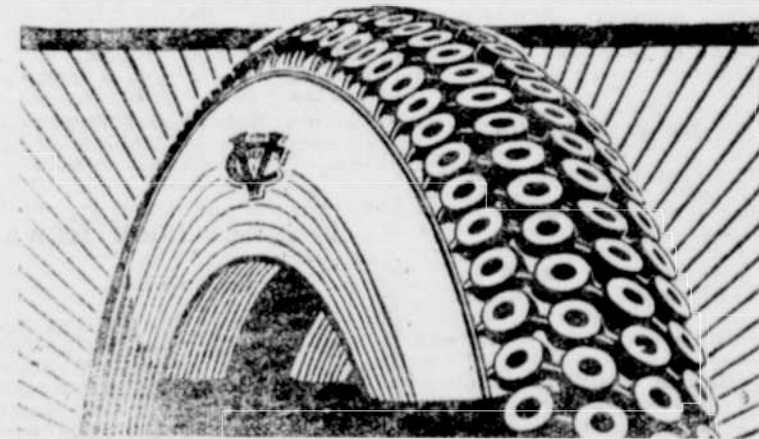
Nudelman Declares He Can't Help Praising Tanlac for Ending His Seven Years of Stomach Trouble—Gains 11 Pounds—Wife Is Also Benefited.

"After a man has suffered as long and as much as I have he can hardly help praising the medicine that restored him to health," said M. Nudelman, 441 Rost St., Portland, Ore., who operates an auto stage between Portland and Vancouver.

"For six or seven years I suffered terribly from stomach trouble. My appetite got down to almost nothing and the gas and pains in my stomach almost drove me distracted. I also suffered from constipation and had awful headaches. I had rheumatism in my legs and feet so bad I could hardly drive my car and was so nervous and upset life was simply miserable.

"But Tanlac has built me up 11 pounds in weight and put me in the best of health again. I can eat anything I want without any discomfort, am no longer worried with constipation or headaches, and the rheumatism has entirely disappeared. My wife has also taken Tanlac with splendid results. It certainly is a grand medicine."

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30 x 3½ (4 ply).....	15.75	11.95
30 x 3½ (6 ply).....	21.40	
32 x 3½.....	23.70	15.00
31 x 4.....	26.55	17.50
32 x 4.....	29.25	19.40
33 x 4.....	30.15	20.30
34 x 4.....	31.05	21.25
32 x 4½.....	37.70	26.55

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